

## Message Text

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AMCONSUL CHIANG MAI

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S E C R E T VIENTIANE 1427

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MMOL, MASS, TH, LA

SUBJECT: ARMS SMUGGLING

REF: A) BANGKOK 3133

B) CHIANG MAI 040 (NOTAL)

C) VIENTIANE 0950 (NOTAL)

APPRECIATE QUICK RESPONSES FROM BANGKOK AND CHIANG MAI  
IN PROVIDING SERIAL NUMBERS OF SEIZED WEAPONS. DAO  
CHECKED FAR RECORDS IN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY CONTRABAND  
WEAPONS BUT WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF THEY WERE EQUIP-  
MENT SUPPLIED TO LAOS. PROBLEM IS THAT FAR RECORDS OF  
DELIVERIES PRIOR TO JANUARY 1973 ARE SERIOUSLY DEFICIENT  
AND DAO HAS VIRTUALLY NO RECORDS PRIOR TO THAT DATE.  
DAO HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE OF ARMY ORDNANCE DEPOTS IN  
U.S. IN ATTEMPT TO VERIFY CONSIGNEES OF WEAPONS. WE ARE  
NOT CONFIDENT THAT THESE PARTICULAR WEAPONS CAN OR WILL BE  
IDENTIFIED AS HAVING COME FROM LAOS, BUT WE THINK IT IS  
WORTHWHILE TO CHECK NUMBERS OF WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE  
CONFISCATED IN THAILAND IN FUTURE. MEANWHILE, WE WILL  
CONTINUE TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO IMPROVE FAR WEAPONS  
DISTRIBUTION AND CONTROL PROCEDURES.  
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